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REFERENCE TO: [REDACTED] LAUNCH AREA G1 - G2
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1. SIGNIFICANCE: THE STRUCTURES PREVIOUSLY CONSTRUCTED IN EXCAVATIONS FORWARD OF PADS G1 AND G2 ARE NOW CONSIDERED TO BE RAIL-SERVED LAUNCH POINTS.
2. LOCATION: APPROXIMATELY 30 NM NW OF THE TYURATAM MAIN SUPPORT BASE AND 1.7 NM NNW OF THE LAUNCH COMPLEX "G" SUPPORT FACILITY.
3. REMARKS: LAUNCH AREA G1 - G2 WAS ORIGINALLY CONSIDERED COMPLETE IN [REDACTED] THE DOUBLE-FENCED LAUNCH AREA CONTAINED 2 RAIL-SERVED LAUNCH PADS AND ASSOCIATED EQUIPMENT; AN "L"-SHAPED ELECTRONIC FACILITY WAS LOCATED 0.6 NM SSE OF THE CENTER OF THE LAUNCH AREA. A MISSILE-READY BUILDING WAS LOCATED TO THE REAR OF EACH PAD, AND A MISSILE GANTRY MOUNTED ON RAILS WAS ALIGNED AT A SLIGHT ANGLE TO THE AXIS OF EACH MISSILE-READY BUILDING AND LAUNCH PAD. EACH GANTRY USUALLY WAS POSITIONED ABOUT MIDWAY BETWEEN THE READY BUILDING AND LAUNCH PAD.

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EXPANSION AND EXTENSIVE MODIFICATION OF THE

LAUNCH AREA HAS BEEN OBSERVED SINCE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] THERE WAS NO EVIDENCE OF CONSTRUCTION

ACTIVITY ON [REDACTED] THE SIZE OF THE

LAUNCH AREA HAS BEEN INCREASED FROM APPROXIMATELY

120 TO 200 ACRES.

4. COLLATERAL:

5. FIRST IDENTIFICATION:

6. NEGATION DATE:

7. SUBSEQUENT COVERAGE:

35 KH-4, 9 KH-7, AND 1 [REDACTED]

8. DIMENSIONS/
SPECIFICATIONS:

LAUNCH POSITION G1-A

-- 80 X 80 FT (APPROX)

MISSILE/COMPONENT ON RAIL

NEXT TO G1 GANTRY

-- [REDACTED] 10 FT

CYLINDER NEAR ENTRANCE

TO LAUNCH AREA

-- [REDACTED] 10 FT

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PAD SEPARATION (G1-G2) --

GANTRY HEIGHT (BOTH) --

125 FT

9. MISSION READOUT: CONSTRUCTION CONTINUES ON LAUNCH AREA G1-G2. TWO BUILDINGS ARE UNDER CONSTRUCTION IN THE CENTRAL PART OF THE AREA, SLIGHTLY FORWARD OF A LINE BETWEEN THE 2 READY BUILDINGS. FIRST EVIDENCE OF THIS CONSTRUCTION WAS OBSERVED ON [REDACTED] THE STRUCTURES PREVIOUSLY CONSTRUCTED IN EXCAVATIONS FORWARD OF PADS G1 AND G2 ARE NOW CONSIDERED TO BE RAIL-SERVED LAUNCH POINTS, AND ARE DESIGNATED G1-A AND G2-A. LAUNCH POSITION G1-A, THE MORE ADVANCED IN STAGE OF CONSTRUCTION, APPEARS TO BE APPROXIMATELY 80 FT SQUARE WITH A CIRCULAR STRUCTURE LOCATED AT ITS CENTER. IT CAN NOT YET BE ASCERTAINED WHETHER THIS IS A LAUNCH PAD OR A SILO. IN GENERAL APPEARANCE, HOWEVER, IT IS QUITE REMINISCENT OF PAD A2 AT LAUNCH COMPLEX "A". LAUNCH POSITION G2-A APPEARS TO BE AN IDENTICAL LAUNCH POSITION IN AN EARLIER STAGE OF CONSTRUCTION. LOCATED ON THE RAIL NEXT TO THE G1 GANTRY IS A MISSILE/COMPONENT WHOSE DIMENSIONS [REDACTED] X 10 FT) ARE THE SAME AS THOSE OF THE ONE FREQUENTLY SEEN IN THIS VICINITY. THE TAPERING OF THE NARROW END, HOWEVER, APPEARS TO DIFFER SOMEWHAT FROM THAT PREVIOUSLY OBSERVED. THE MISSILE/COMPONENT FREQUENTLY SEEN FORWARD OF THE G2 READY BUILDING IS NOT PRESENT, HOWEVER, A CYLINDER APPROXIMATELY [REDACTED] X 10 FT IS LOCATED OFF THE RAILS NEAR THE ENTRANCE TO THE

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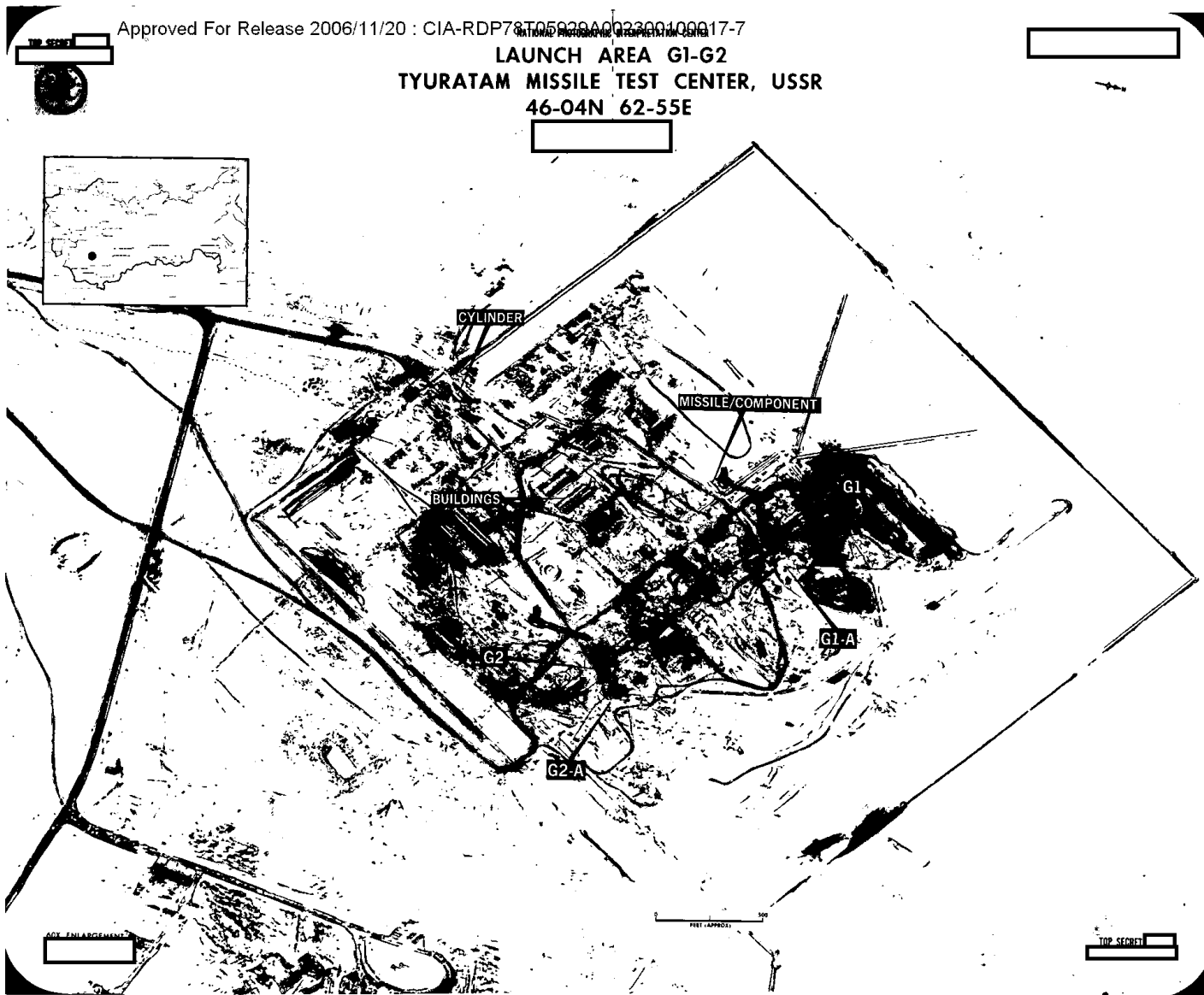
LAUNCH AREA. IN ADDITION, A SIMILAR CYLINDER, [REDACTED] AND 2 CYLINDERS
OF SMALLER DIAMETER WHICH ARE [REDACTED] AND FLARE TO A DIAMETER OF [REDACTED]
AT ONE END, ARE LOCATED NEAR THE GANTRY, NOT FAR FROM THE ENTRANCE TO LAUNCH
AREA G5-G6. IF THE LARGER CYLINDER AND ONE OF THE SMALLER CYLINDERS WERE
MATED, THEY WOULD CONFORM CLOSELY IN SIZE AND APPEARANCE TO THE MISSILE/
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